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OF THE

BLESSED SACRAMENT

with the mufical notation

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Introductory Note

Singers must be careful to treat the chant as pure recitative, and to remember that the forms of the notes express no time value whatever. In note-groups where one note stands directly above the other, the lower note is the first sounded, e.g. —



Groups in which a thick oblique stroke appears, consist of three notes, e.g. -

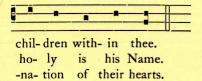


In the Pfalms the *italic* type indicates the fyllable with which the mediation & ending of the Tone begin (i.e. the fyllable on which the reciting note is left.) It does not necessfarily indicate emphasis.

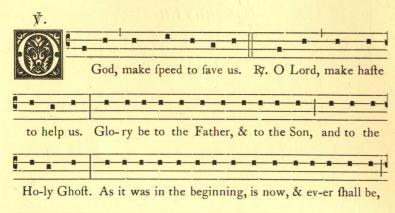
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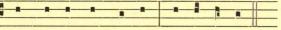
In the mediation of Tones II, IV, V & VIII, when the first half of the verse ends with an emphatic monosyllable, or with a word requiring an accent on the last syllable, the final syllable always receives the musical accent. In these cases the final note of the mediation is omitted.

N. B. In Pf. 147, v. 13, and in vv. 4 and 6 of the second setting of Magnificat, the ending is as follows:



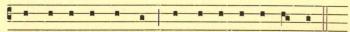
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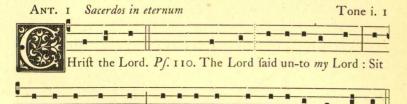


world without end. A-men. Al-le-lu-ya.

I From Septuagesima to Wednesday in Holy Week inclusive, instead of Alleluya is faid :-



Praise be to thee, O Lord, King of e- ter- nal glo- ry.

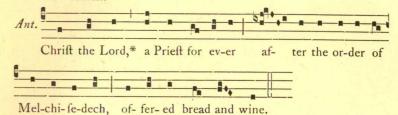


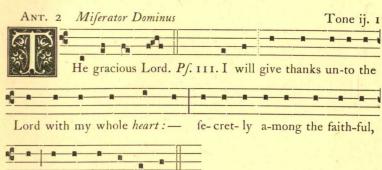
thou on my right hand, un-til I make thine en-e-mies thy footstool.

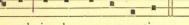
- 2 The Lord shall send the rod of thy power out of Sy-on: be thou ruler, even in the midst a-mong thine en-e-mies.
- 3 In the day of thy power shall the people offer thee free-will offerings with an holy wor-ship: the dew of thy birth is of the womb of the morning.

- 4 The Lord sware, and will not re-pent: Thou art a Priest for ever after the order of Melchi-se-dech.
- 5 The Lord upon thy right hand: shall wound even kings in the day of his wrath.
- 6 He shall judge among the hea-then: he shall fill the places with the dead bodies; and fmite in funder the heads over di-vers countries.
- 7 He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up his head.

Glory be the Father, and to the Son : and to the Ho-ly Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world with-







and in the con-gree ga-tion.

- 2 The works of the Lord are great: fought out of all them that have plea-sure therein.
- 3 His work is worthy to be praifed and had in ho-nour : and his righteousness endureth for ever.
- 4 The merciful & gracious Lord hath so done his marvellous works: that they ought to be had in re-membrance.
- 5 He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he shall ever be mindful of his co-ve-nant.

6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works: that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

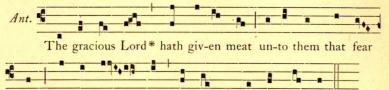
7 The works of his hands are verity and *judge*-ment: all his command-ments are true.

8 They stand fast for ever and ev-er: and are done in truth and e-qui-ty.

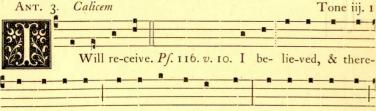
9 He fent redemption unto his peo-ple: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and rever-end is his Name.

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wif-dom: a good understanding have all they that do thereafter; the praise of it endureth for ever.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Ho-ly Ghoft. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.



him, in re- mem-brance of his mar-vel-lous do-ings.



fore will I speak, but I was fore trou-bled: I said in my haste,



All men are li- ars.

II What reward shall I give un-to the Lord: for all the benefits that he hath done unto me?

12 I will receive the cup of salvation: and call upon the Name of the Lord.

13 I will pay my vows now in the presence of all his people: right dear in the fight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

14 Behold, O Lord, how that I am thy fervant: I am thy fervant, and the fon of thine handmaid; thou hast broken my bonds in funder.

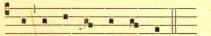
15 I will offer to thee the facrifice of thanks-giving: and will call upon the Name of the Lord.

16 I will pay my vows unto the Lord, in the fight of all his people: in the courts of the Lord's house, | even in the midst of thee, O Hieru-sa-lem. Praise the Lord.

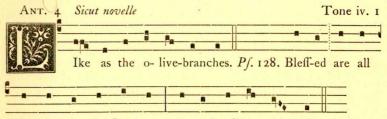
Glory be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son: and to the Ho-ly Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be: world with-out end. Amen.



I will re-ceive * the Cup of fal- va- tion, and I will of-



fer the Sa- cri- fice of praise.



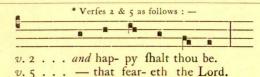
they that fear the Lord — : — and walk in his ways.

* 2 For thou shalt eat the labours of thine hands: O well is thee, and happy shalt thou be.

3 Thy wife shall be as the *fruit*-ful vine: upon the walls of thine house.

4 Thy children like the o-live branches: round a-bout thy table.

* 5 Lo, thus shall the man be blessed: — that feareth the Lord.



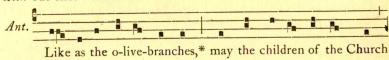
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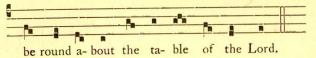
6 The Lord from out of Syon shall so bless thee: that thou shalt see Hierusalem in prosperi-ty all thy life long.

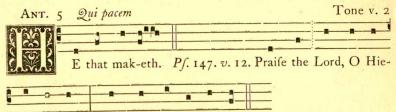
* 7 Yea, that thou shalt see thy chil-dren's children: and peace upon

Ifrael.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: — and to the Ho-ly Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ev-er shall be: world with-out end. Amen.







ru- sa- lem: praise thy God, O Sy- on.

†13 For he hath made fast the bars of thy gates: and hath blessed thy chil-dren within thee.

14 He maketh peace in thy bor-ders : and filleth thee with the

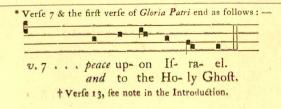
flour of wheat.

15 He fendeth forth his commandment upon earth: and his word runneth ve-ry swiftly.

16 He giveth snow like wool: and scattereth the hoar-frost like

ashes.

17 He casteth forth his ice like mor-sels: who is able to a-bide his frost?



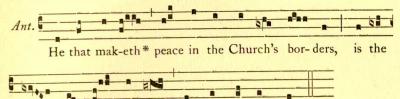
18 He sendeth out his word, and melt-eth them: he bloweth with his wind and the wa-ters flow.

19 He sheweth his word unto Ia-cob: his statutes and ordinances

un-to If-ra-el.

20 He hath not dealt fo with any na-tion: neither hath the heathen know-ledge of his laws.

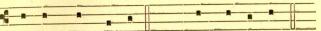
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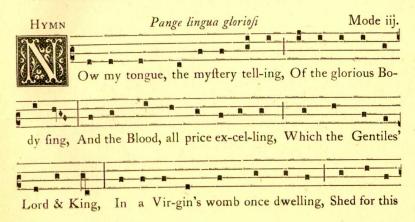
Lord, who fill- eth us with the flour of wheat.

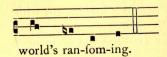
CHAPTER. I Cor. xj.

BRethren: I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you: that the Lord Jesus, the same night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and said: Take, eat, this is my body, which is broken for you; this do in



re-mem-brance of me. Ry. Thanks be to God.







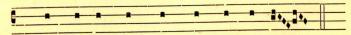
Given for us, and condescending
To be born for us below,
He, with men in converse blending,
Dwelt the seed of truth to sow,
Till he clos'd with wondrous ending
His most patient life of woe.

That last night, at supper lying,
'Mid the Twelve his chosen band,
Jesus, with the law complying,
Keeps the feast its rites demand;
Then, more precious Food supplying,
Gives himself with his own hand.

Word-made-Flesh, true bread he maketh By his word his Flesh to be; Wine his Blood; which whoso taketh Must from carnal thoughts be free; Faith alone, though fight forsaketh, Shews true hearts the mystery.

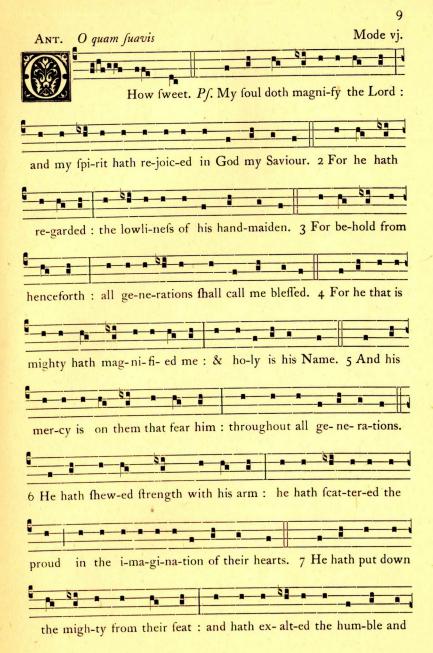
Therefore we, before him bending,
This great Sacrament revere;
Types and fhadows have their ending,
For the newer Rite is here;
Faith, our outward fense befriending,
Makes our inward vision clear.

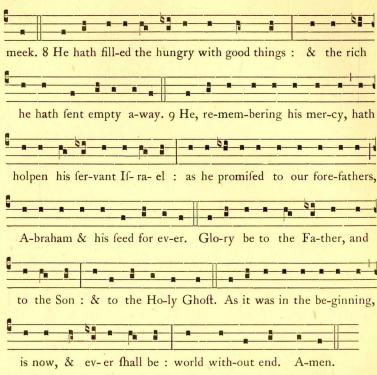
Glory let us give, and bleffing,
To the Father, and the Son,
Honour, might, and praife addreffing,
While eternal ages run:
Ever too his love confeffing,
Who from Both with Both is One. Amen.



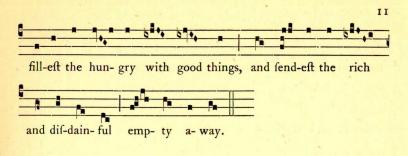
V. Thou ga-vest them Bread from heaven.

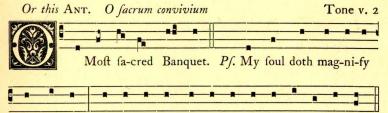
Ry. Con-tain-ing in It- self all sweet-ness.







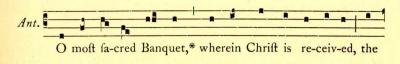




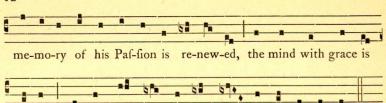
the Lord -: and my spi-rit hath re-joic-ed in God my Sa-viour.

- 2 For he hath re-gard-ed: the lowliness of his handmaiden.
- 3 For behold, from hence-forth: all generations shall call me blessed.
- * 4 For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and ho-ly is his Name.
- 5 And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all ge-nerations.
- * 6 He hath shewed strength with his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the imagi-na-tion of their hearts.
- 7 He hath put down the mighty from their feat: and hath exalted the hum-ble and meek.
- 8 He hath filled the hungry with good things: and the rich he hath fent emp-ty away.
- 9 He, remembering his mercy, hath holpen his fervant If-rael: as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

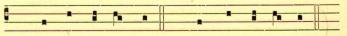
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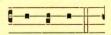
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fill-ed, and a pledge of fu-ture glo-ry is giv-en us.

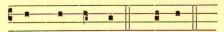


V. The Lord be with you. Ry. And with thy spi- rit.

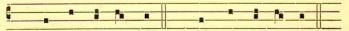


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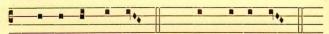
O God, Who in this wonderful Sacrament hast left us a memorial of thy Passion: grant us, we beseech thee, so to venerate the sacred mysteries of thy Body and Blood, that we may ever perceive within ourselves the fruit of thy redemption. Who livest & reignest with the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God,



world with-out end. Ry. A-men.



V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spi- rit.



V. Let us bless the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

In a low voice without note.

MAy the fouls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. R. Amen.